DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072197G]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Committee on Alternative Groundfish Management will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will begin on Wednesday, August 20, 1997, at 9:00 a.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Mt. St. Helens Room at the Shilo Inn - Portland Airport, 11707 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Six, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 326–6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the request of the Council, the Committee will discuss alternatives to the year-round fishery for potential implementation in 1998. Other alternative management strategies to be discussed include a full retention program, marine harvest regues, and others. The Committee will present their findings at the September 8–12 Council meeting.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326–6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: July 23, 1997.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 97–19960 Filed 7–29–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings.

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of its Wetlands, Seagrass, Oyster/Shell and Water Issues Sub-Groups.

DATES: The meetings will be held August 11-13, 1997. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2008 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone: 803-571-1000.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306; Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Buchanan, Public Information Officer; telephone: (803) 571-4366; fax: (803) 769-4520; email: susan.buchanan@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates

August 11, 1997, 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; August 12, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The Wetlands Sub-Group will meet to review wetland habitat description and distribution information in south Atlantic state and regional and geographical information systems, identify fishing and non-fishing threats to wetland habitats, and to develop recommendations for a draft Council habitat policy statement on wetland habitats.

August 12, 1997, 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Seagrass Sub-Group will meet to review seagrass habitat description and distribution information in state and regional systems, identify fishing and non-fishing threats to seagrass habitat, and make recommended revisions to the Council habitat policy statement on seagrass.

August 13, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Oyster/Shell Sub-Group will meet to review oyster/shell habitat description and distribution information in south Atlantic state and Federal systems, identify fishing and nonfishing threats to oyster/shell habitats, and develop recommendations for a draft Council habitat policy statement on

oyster/shell habitats.

August 13, 1997, 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Water Issues Sub-Group will meet to hold a round table discussion on water issues and impacts on essential fish habitat, including hydrologic modifications and water quality issues, and to develop recommendations for inclusion in a draft Council habitat policy statement on water issues.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see ADDRESSES) by August 4, 1997.

Dated: July 24, 1997.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 97–19961 Filed 7–29–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072197A]

Endangered Species; Permits

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of an application for a scientific research permit (P654).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Idaho Fishery Resource Office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Ahsahka, ID (FWS) has applied in due form for a permit that would provide authorization for a take of a threatened species for the purpose of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application must be received on or before August 29, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910–3226 (301–713–1401); and

Protected Resources Division, F/ NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite